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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants disclose the following information:

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,518,162, inventors Deschenes et al., issued May 21, 1996;
2. U.S. Patent No. 4,654,935, inventor Bone, issued April 7, 1987;
3. U.S. Patent No. 4,586,609, inventor Won, issued May 6, 1986;
4. U.S. Patent No. 4,534,464, inventor Lankton, issued August 13, 1985;
5. U.S. Patent No. 4,456,123, inventor Russell, issued June 26, 1984;
6. U.S. Patent No. 3,850,297, inventor Merser, issued November 26, 1974;
7. U.S. Reissue Patent No. 34,891, inventor Kunreuther, reissued April 4, 1995;
8. U.S. Reissue Patent No. 32,332, inventor Kato, reissued January 20, 1987;
9. U.S. Patent No. 4,901,854, inventors Bone et al., issued February 20, 1990;
10. U.S. Patent No. 4,712,677, inventor Russell, issued December 15, 1987;
11. U.S. Patent No. 4,660,718, inventors Kato et al., issued April 28, 1987;
12. U.S. Patent No. 5,799,375, inventor Fukami, issued September 1, 1998;

13. U.S. Patent No. 4,240,183, inventors Sumimoto et al., issued December 23, 1980;
14. U.S. Patent No. 5,622,257, inventors Deschenes et al., issued April 22, 1997;
15. U.S. Patent No. 4,533,076, inventor Bourque, issued August 6, 1985;
16. U.S. Patent No. 3,733,657, inventor Lankton, issued May 22, 1973;
17. U.S. Patent No. 4,417,656, inventor Kato, issued November 29,1983;
18. U.S. Patent No. 4,333,566, inventor Holmes, issued June 8, 1982;
19. U.S. Patent No. 3,103,666, inventor Bone, issued September 17, 1963;
20. U.S. Patent No. 5,593,033, inventor Kunreuther, issued January 14, 1997;
21. U.S. Patent No. 5,463,799, inventor Graham, issued November 7, 1995;
22. U.S. Patent No. 5,321,872, inventor Merser, issued June 21, 1994;
23. U.S. Patent No. 3,494,004, inventor Bone, issued February 10, 1970;
24. U.S. Patent No. 5,495,974, inventors Deschenes et al., issued March 5, 1996;
25. U.S. Patent No. 4,111,347, inventor Bone, issued September 5, 1978;
26. U.S. Patent No. 3,735,908, inventors Kinney et al., issued May 29, 1973;
27. U.S. Patent No. 5,738,265, inventors Hirai et al., issued April 14, 1998;
28. U.S. Patent No. 5,950,901, inventor Kubota, issued September 14, 1999;
29. U.S. Patent No. 5,598,948, inventor Rizer, issued February 4, 1997;
30. U.S. Patent No. 5,471,727, inventor Kubota, issued December 5, 1995;
31. U.S. Patent No. 5,501,002, inventor Fukami, issued March 26, 1996;
32. U.S. Patent No. 4,499,928, inventor Furutsu, issued February 19, 1985;
33. U.S. Patent No. 4,582,236, inventor Hirose, issued April 15, 1986;
34. U.S. Patent No. 4,718,158, inventor Block, issued January 12, 1988;
35. U.S. Patent No. 4,789,091, inventor Randolph, issued December 6, 1988;
36. U.S. Patent No. 4,943,294, inventor Knapp, issued July 24, 1990;
37. U.S. Patent No. 4,323,183, inventor Duchin, issued April 6, 1982;
38. U.S. Patent No. 2,054,994, inventor Stainbrook, issued September 22, 1936;
39. U.S. Patent No. 3,902,649, inventor Kato, issued September 2, 1975;
40. U.S. Patent No. 3,985,067, inventors Livio et al., issued October 12, 1976;
41. U.S. Patent No. 4,315,587, inventors Ritter et al., issued February 16, 1982;
42. U.S. Patent No. 5,788,138, inventors Deschenes et al., issued August 4, 1998;
43. U.S. Patent No. 5,472,130, inventors Beringhause et al., issued December 5, 1995;
44. U.S. Patent No. 3,880,339, inventor Bone, issued April 29, 1975;
45. U.S. Patent No. 3,734,375, inventors Bone et al., issued May 22, 1973;
46. U.S. Patent No. 4,634,036, inventor Duchin, issued January 6, 1987;
47. U.S. Patent No. 4,682,721, inventor Duchin, issued July 28, 1987;
48. U.S. Patent No. 4,610,385, inventor Duchin, issued September 9, 1986;
49. U.S. Patent No. 4,610,384, inventor Duchin, issued September 9, 1986;
50. U.S. Patent No. 4,683,635, inventor Duchin, issued August 4, 1987;
51. U.S. Patent No. 4,690,317, inventors Hamisch, Jr. et al., issued September 1, 1987;
52. U.S. Patent No. 4,681,248, inventor Duchin, issued July 21, 1987.

53. U.S. Patent No. 3,325,853, inventor Stroweis, issued June 20, 1967;
54. U.S. Patent No. 5,205,458, inventor Kunreuther, issued April 27, 1993;
55. U.S. Patent No. 5,405,070, inventor Kunreuther, issued April 11, 1995;
56. U.S. Patent No. 6,026,544, inventors Deschenes et al., issued February 22, 2000;
57. U.S. Patent No. 5,024,365, inventor Bourque, issued June 18, 1991;
58. U.S. Patent No. 4,465,161, inventor Russell, issued June 26, 1984;
59. U.S. Patent No. 5,810,238, inventor Kunreuther, issued September 22, 1998;
60. U.S. Patent No. 4,039,078, inventor Bone, issued August 2, 1977;
61. U.S. Patent No. 5,772,073, inventor Deschenes, issued June 30, 1998;
62. U.S. Patent No. 5,683,025, inventor Grendol, issued November 4, 1997;
63. U.S. Patent No. 6,129,206, inventor Cooper, issued October 10, 2000;
64. U.S. Patent No. 6,047,823, inventors Deschenes et al., issued April 11, 2000;
65. U.S. Patent No. 3,948,295, inventors Lemont et al., issued April 6, 1976;
66. U.S. Patent No. 5,723,320, inventor Dehlinger, issued March 3, 1998;
67. U.S. Patent No. 2,729,177, inventor Flood, issued January 3, 1956;
68. U.S. Patent No. 4,121,487, inventor Bone, issued October 24, 1978;
69. U.S. Patent No. 5,033,664, inventors Bone et al., issued July 23, 1991;
70. U.S. Patent No. 5,320,269, inventors Deschenes et al., issued June 14, 1994;
71. U.S. Patent No. 5,529,233, inventors Davignon et al., issued June 25, 1996;
72. U.S. Design Patent No. 365,003, inventors Davignon et al., issued December 12, 1995;
73. Australian Patent No. 243,745, published March 7, 1963;
74. Copy of Avery Dennison Corp. Fastener Division (Framingham, MA) sales literature for Dennison® SWIFTACH® systems, published before filing date of the present application.

Copies of the above documents are not being provided with this paper since these documents are already of record in U.S.S.N. 09/483,181 and/or U.S.S.N. 09/483,180, from which applications the present application claims an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Notwithstanding the above, copies of the above documents are listed on the enclosed PTO Form FB-A820. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above-listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the enclosed form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists and does not constitute an admission that the above-listed documents constitute "prior art."

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